

## ALLEN DENIES CHARGES

Has Never Entered a Foot of Government Land.

### HE ASKS FOR A RETRACTION.

No Grounds for the Sensational Charges Made by The New York Tribune, Which Stated that He Had Entered 10,000 Acres Under the Reservoir Act.

From Saturday's Daily:

The report started some time ago that Ex-Senator Wm. V. Allen of Madison was making extensive entries of land under the new reservoir act passed by the late congress has been revived in the east and is being circulated extensively. The New York Tribune's Washington correspondent was the latest to pick the matter up and other papers have published the dispatch in full. The report states that Mr. Allen has entered about 10,000 acres under the act which was championed by him and Senator Pettigrew of South Dakota. The Tribune says:

"Instead of buying cattle and going to some convenient spot for his ranch and digging a reservoir for his own and the public good, Mr. Allen has simply entered the land and will control it if some other enterprising cattle raiser wishes to graze cattle thereon. Nobody can graze cattle on these tracts without the consent of the one who entered them, and not being able to graze their cattle, the reservoirs would be useless to them, even if built."

In an interview Mr. Hermann of the land commissioner's office says he fails to see what Mr. Allen is driving at, and states that reports of the entries had reached his office but that no papers had been received and would not be until the ex-senator made final proof.

These reports are in line with those in the State Journal several weeks ago. At that time Mr. Allen denied in a column article the allegations and the Journal retracted its statements, later developments having disclosed that it was an Omaha real estate agent by the name of Allen who had made the entries for other parties.

In an interview with THE NEWS informant Mr. Allen stated that he never entered a foot of government land in his life and would make a present of \$100 to any person who could find his name in connection with any government land deal. He also stated that he had never been in a government land office but once in his life and that visit was not made for the purpose of entering land.

All the land Mr. Allen owns he has paid good, hard earned dollars for. This property is near Oakdale and was owned by him and John S. Robinson in partnership. He has recently purchased his partner's interest and was compelled to borrow the money to pay for it.

The following dispatches were sent by Mr. Allen today in denial of his alleged connection with the reservoir land deals:

MADISON, Neb., July 15.—Hon. Binger Hermann, Commissioner General Land Office, Washington, D. C.: Your statement that I have entered government land under the reservoir or any other act of congress is a falsehood, and I demand that you retract it. I never entered a foot of government land in my life.

WM. V. ALLEN.

MADISON, Neb., July 15.—To The New York Tribune: Your statement that I have entered public lands under the reservoir act is a flat falsehood. I never entered a foot of government land in my life. I ask you to retract the statement.

WM. V. ALLEN.

MADISON, Neb., July 15.—To Associated Press, Washington, D. C.: See and publish dispatch this day sent Binger Hermann of the land office.

WM. V. ALLEN.

THE NEWS goes into this article at some length believing that an injustice of large moment, not founded on scrap of fact, has been done Mr. Allen. The large dailies of tomorrow will probably contain a denial of the Tribune report, which will be no more than the ex-senator's just dues.

It is said by those who know the country where the land is claimed to have been entered, that even if the senator had made such a transaction the entire body of land to which he would have acquired title would be worth but little more than a corner lot in a good hustling village so that, at the worst, the rumor would be but small grounds for complaint.

The name of the party making the deal and that of Ex-Senator Allen are the only excuse for the starting of the report and might easily mislead a correspondent who was not careful as to details.

Exposition An Assured Success.

The Greater America exposition in successful operation at Omaha, is making a good record in spite of the difficulties it has had to overcome. Late advice to this paper state that Omaha is entirely united in its support. Every available foot of space for exhibits has been taken and most of them are installed. The Cuban and Hawaiian villages are ready for inspection. The Filipinos will be here next week. Pain's fireworks, the Indian congress, the War exhibit and scores of other special features can be seen daily. The night scene on the lagoon surpasses in brilliant beauty anything ever seen of its kind. The Midway is good but the big show is in the main tent.

Sturgeon is the piano man.

## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Proceedings of Meetings Recently Held By the "County Dads."—Bills Allowed.

MADISON, Neb., July 6, 1899: 1 p. m.—Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. A. C. Johnson, H. W. Winter and John J. Hughes present.

On motion the minutes of last meeting were read and approved, except that the clerk was directed to add to the adjournment clause the words, "and to transact such other business as may come before the board."

On motion the claim of the Canton Bridge Co. for one-half the cost of steel bridge across the Northfork of the Elkhorn river on Stanton county line was allowed at \$350.

The matter of the county road, petitioned for by Henry Borchers and others, commencing at the northwest corner of section 33, township 23 north, range 3 west of 6th P. M., running thence east 4 miles to township line road running north and south between Highland and Battle Creek townships was taken up. A remonstrance signed by Mrs. Bridget O'Hare and others was on motion rejected. The aforesaid petition was granted and allowed and the county clerk directed to plat and record the road as provided by law.

Claims for damages and services on file were audited as follows: Bridget O'Hare for 4 acres of land, making new well, moving pump and wind mill and moving 160 rods of fence, amount claimed \$730, was allowed as follows:

For 4 acres of land, \$100.—Moving 160 rods of wire fence, \$50. Total \$150. As to moving pump and wind mill, the board held that it is unnecessary and that the same could remain without inconvenience to either party, hence no allowance was made therefor.

Henry Borchers claimed for 5 acres of land, \$150. Was allowed \$50, which was applied on personal tax and Carl Wilde, county treasurer, allowed an order for said tax to the said amount of \$50.

Balsar Werner claimed for 2 acres of land \$50, which was rejected on account of evidence that the road through his land has been open and used by the public for a period exceeding ten years.

Jacob Holy claimed for 1 acre of land \$15; said claim was rejected on account of establishment by user.

Carl Poanner, having filed no claim, appeared in person and stated that he would donate the road through his land and upon demand of the board, executed a written declaration to that effect.

Fred Newerk and others, beside those above mentioned, owning lands along said line of road had entered no claims for damages and the board being advised by Messrs. Carl Poanner and S. K. War-

rick that the said land owners have consented to the establishment without and free of charge, no further damages were allowed.

W. H. Lowe, special viewer, 2 days and 25 miles, \$6.50, applied on personal tax.

Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax W. H. Lowe, \$6.50.

A. J. Thatch, surveying 4 days, \$16.00.

J. S. Curtis, assisting surveyor 4 days and 18 miles, \$9.80, appraiser's fee and mileage, \$3.80, total \$13.60.

Tim Kennedy, appraiser's fee and mileage, \$3.80, less personal tax \$1.70, balance \$2.10.

Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax Tim Kennedy, \$1.70.

J. A. Wilson, appraiser's fee and mileage, \$3.80, applied on personal tax.

Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax J. A. Wilson, \$3.80.

Philip Beck, serving notices on land owners, \$6.50.

R. D. Scott, publishing road notices, \$7.50, was included in January settlement.

On motion board adjourned for supper and met at 7:30 p. m.

On motion J. F. Neidig was appointed road overseer of district No. 24, Union precinct.

On motion claims were allowed as follows:

H. W. Winter, freight on scrapers, \$14.01.

H. W. Winter, cash paid for piling, \$8.00.

Gust Kaul, janitor's salary for June, \$30.00.

W. Whitla, correcting assessors' books and assisting board of equalization, \$59.00.

L. W. Lyon, operating county grader, \$137.00.

C. W. Crum, county superintendent, salary for June, etc., \$129.85.

State Journal company, record book and supplies, \$18.40.

H. E. Becker, mattresses and glass for jail, \$16.10.

Jno. W. Warrick, lumber for bridges, \$111.28.

Wm. Parkinson, sundries for court house, \$9.55.

Carl Asmus, groceries for sick paupers, \$12.00.

Dave Persons, grading, \$86.50.

John H. Huff, stationary and printing, \$17.15.

F. Brinckman & Son, wall paper and paint for jail, \$15.66, less personal tax \$11.85, balance \$3.81.

Carl Wilde, county treasurer, account tax Brinckman & Son, \$11.85.

Times-Tribune, printing county institute notice, programs, etc., \$8.90.

Contract with, and official bond of, M. O. Wager, superintendent of county poor farm was received and said bond on motion approved.

The quarterly report of M. O. Wager, superintendent of the county poor farm, was received, ordered placed on file and published with proceedings. Report follows:

To The Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Madison County, Nebraska.—Gentlemen: I herewith render my report for quarter ending July 1, 1899.

We have now seven inmates, to wit: Pete Shepard, Anton Teyler, John Cada, Jacob Bauman, Th. Pollock, Mrs. Bogue and Miss Helen Fundum.

The last named came on July 1st and begged permission to stay, claiming that her folks had kicked her out and she had no place to stay. Although she had no order for admission we allowed her to stay awaiting instructions from you.

The crops growing this year are as follows: Corn, 30 acres; oats, 20 acres; potatoes, 3 acres.

The grass is heavy and will be ready to cut in about a week. As the meadows are very wet and none of the inmates are able to pitch hay I am somewhat perplexed as to how we are going to have it put up. It seems necessary to procure a stacker of some kind and would like to hear from you in the premises.

During the last quarter we have sold butter to the amount of \$36.15; eggs, \$9.66; total \$45.81. Sold milk to the creamery from June 12 to July 1, 3,100 pounds. Sold hay since last report as follows: H. F. Heath, 2 loads, \$5.00; B. Werner, 4 loads, \$11.00; H. Rickenberg, 9 tons, \$27.00; A. W. Linicum, 4 tons, \$10.00, and 6 tons, \$18.00; total \$71.00.

CASH ACCOUNT.

Cash on hand per last report	10
Collection from Joan Ott	30 00
From sales of hay	71 00
Other collections	9 72
	\$110 82

CASH DISBURSED.

John Ott, 104 bu. corn @ 25c.	\$26 00
Thresher's bill	10 12
Hired man	15 00
Hired girl	20 00
Steel range and freight	36 05
Advertising hay	2 85
	\$110 82

The following claims were incurred and are unpaid: (Allowed by board and subject to delinquent personal taxes.) Chas. Ulrich, meats, \$7.85.

W. B. Fuerst, balance on groceries, \$9.64.

M. L. Thompson, balance, \$1.20.

White Drug company, oils, etc., \$3.95.

L. B. Baker, seed oats, \$19.61.

L. F. Merz, milk cans, etc., \$13.40.

J. Severa, balance on merchandise, \$10.83, applied on personal tax.

F. Ruzick, meats and sausage, \$5.20.

J. S. Braisher, collar pads, etc., \$80c.

Hansen & Reavis, blacksmithing, 60c, applied on personal tax of D. J. Reavis.

H. Miller Lumber company, coal, \$13.82.

Wm. Young, horse collar, etc., \$3.75.

C. A. Hedman, hardware, etc., \$4.70, applied on personal tax.

P. F. Zimmerman & Co., water tank and repairs, \$19.25, applied on personal tax.

Maas & Haman, linseed oil, etc., \$4.40.

R. L. Osborn, castrating, \$2.25.

Amount due Ed Fields for farm work, \$34.00.

Amount due Anna Kelly for house work, \$10.85.

John A. Salzer, seed potatoes and garden seeds plus freight, \$9.77.

M. O. Wager, quarterly salary, \$100.00. Total claims, \$278.37.

(Amount deducted for taxes, \$39.38.) Warrant to be issued for \$238.98.

On motion clerk was instructed to draw orders in favor of Carl Wilde in payment of taxes as follows:

J. Severa, personal tax for 1898, \$10.83.

D. J. Reavis, personal tax for 1898, 60 cents.

C. A. Hedman, personal tax for 1898, \$8.70.

P. F. Zimmerman & Co., personal tax for 1898, \$19.25.

On motion board adjourned until tomorrow at 8 a. m.

Board met at 8 a. m., July 8, 1899. Continued the work of examining and checking up county treasurer's books and vouchers until 10:30 a. m. and then adjourned until 1 o'clock July 10.

July 10, 1899, board met at 1 p. m. Bids for hauling and spreading gravel on public road at Meadow Grove were opened and found as follows:

H. E. Lewis, hauling gravel, sand and clay as found in bank, 35 cents per cubic yard and pure gravel 70c.

John F. Flynn, hauling gravel, etc., as found in bank 31c, and pure gravel at 63 cents per cubic yard.

The board decided to have the material hauled and used as found in the bank and the bid of John Flynn being the lowest the same was on motion accepted and the county attorney requested to draw up a contract and a bond in the sum of \$300.00, the same to be executed and delivered on or before July 21, 1899. It was also verbally agreed between the board and John F. Flynn that the said John F. Flynn shall grade and surface a part of the road prior and preparatory to the graveling thereof, employing two teams with scrapers and three men, and that the county shall pay therefor at the rate of \$0.75 per day for 10 hours work.

The subjoining petition signed by Will McDonald and 40 others was read and considered by the board, to wit:

"To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Madison County, Nebraska: We your petitioners most respectfully represent that we are residents of sections 25 and 26, town 24, range 4, of Madison county, Nebraska, and that said sections 25 and 26 contain more than two hundred (200) residents, and we ask that you cause to be incorporated as the village of Meadow Grove, Madison county, Nebraska, the said sections 25 and 26, town 24, range 4, Madison county, Nebraska. The metes and bounds of said incorporated village to be as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of section 25, running thence west two miles, thence south one mile, thence east two miles, thence north to the place of beginning. Your petitioners also petition your honorable body to appoint a board of five trustees for said village to serve said village as said trustees until their successors have been elected and qualified. This your petitioners will ever pray."

The foregoing petition was accompanied by the following certificate:

"MEADOW GROVE, Neb., July 3, 1899.—We the undersigned hereby certify that the population of sections twenty-five (25) and twenty-six (26), township twenty-four (24), range four (4), W., exceeds the amount required by law to incorporate, same being two hundred twenty-five (225) or over.

J. H. COLEBROVE.  
WILL McDONALD.  
J. L. DUNN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of July, 1899.

[SEAL] W. A. WITZIGMAN,  
Notary Public.

My commission expires March 31, 1905."

There being no remonstrance or objections to the incorporation of said village entered or filed and the board being of the opinion that a majority of the taxable inhabitants of the territory described in the foregoing petition have signed the same and that inhabitants to the number of two hundred or more are actual residents of the territory embraced, the said petition was on motion granted and the said village of Meadow Grove declared incorporated and the boundary lines fixed and established as set forth in the petition.

On motion the following named residents of the said village of Meadow Grove, having the qualifications required by statute, were appointed as trustees of said village: I. G. Ayles, E. W. Johnson, Will McDonald, J. L. Dunn and J. I. Beech.

On motion board adjourned for supper. Met at 7:30 p. m. and resumed the work of checking county treasurer's books and vouchers and at 11 p. m. adjourned until tomorrow at 8 a. m.

Board met at 8 a. m., July 11, 1899. Concluded the auditing of county treasurer's accounts and the following summary as shown by treasurer's statement was found correct, to wit:

January 1, 1899, balance	\$66,215 47
Receipts and collections to July 1	97,941 55
Interest from banks	614 96
Total	\$164,771 98
Total disbursements	109,921 70
Balance	\$54,850 28

On motion the following transfers were ordered:

From 1897 to 1898 general fund, \$432.34.

From 1897 to 1898 bridge fund, \$516.52.

From 1897 to 1898 county road fund, \$8.08.

From judgment to 1898 county general fund, \$106.99.

From pool fund to 1898 county general fund, \$200.00.

On motion claims were allowed as follows:

Oscar Uhle, groceries and provisions for sick paupers, \$4.15.

M. D. Taylor, salary for quarter ending June 30, 1899, \$200.00.

Burr Taft, grading road, \$46.25.

Smith-Premier Typewriter company, exchange of typewriters, \$32.50.

Dr. A. L. Macomber, medical attendance and medicines to Mrs. Best, \$21.35.

Gross & Marsh, work on county flag pole, \$3.00.

J. B. Donovan, printing and stationery, \$8.00, allowed at \$6.00.

C. S. Evans, notice to warrant owners, \$2.00.

Chris. Schavland, clerk district court, fees in case of J. K. Martin vs. Madison county, \$2.08.

D. Q. Nicholson, shoes for insane prisoner, \$1.75.

C. E. Gossard, medical attendance on O. O. Berry, prisoner, \$5.00.

W. C. Elley, livery for commissioners, \$8.00.

A. C. Johnson, freight on road plows and scrapers, \$14.46.

On motion board adjourned to meet August 10, 1899, at 1 p. m.

E. G. HEILMAN, County Clerk.

REUNION CLOSED.

Camp Funston at Plainview Now Deserted. Presence of Gamblers and Sharks an Unpleasant Feature.

The Norfolk people who have returned from the district G. A. R. reunion at Plainview report a most excellent time, but were glad to get home as, no matter how good a time a person may have, he is bound to get tired and there is no place like home to rest after several days of pleasure.

There were immense crowds at the reunion and every one seemed to enjoy themselves. The speeches drew out big crowds. Ex-Senator Allen wound up the speaking part of the program last night holding the attention of the people until 11 o'clock.

The reunion yesterday called out the largest crowd of people ever witnessed in Plainview, one estimate placing the number in attendance at 20,000.

The principal speaker of the day was Mrs. Mary R. Morgan, department treasurer, who gave a very fine address.

A game of base ball between the Plainview team and a nine from Pierce resulted in a score of 8 to 16 in favor of Pierce.

The reunion will be held at Pierce next year, that village having sent in a very kindly invitation to the old soldiers to visit them. The citizens have pledged \$500 and the Pierce G. A. R. post \$100 toward meeting the expenses.

There was one feature of this year's reunion which will be guarded against in the future and that was the presence of gamblers, sharks and grafters of all kinds. One old fellow who attended was relieved of \$40 by a wheel game and was compelled to borrow money with which to get home. A large number of these gentry passed through Norfolk today on their way to Humphrey.

A pair of "hoochy-koochy" dancers were fired from the reunion grounds and passed through the city yesterday, also bound for Humphrey.

The old soldiers and people of Plainview were very free in their remarks of condemnation for this feature of the reunion but, for some reason were not able to prevent it.

Commander Matrau and other officials were firm in their demand that at least the worst of the vice and licentiousness be stopped and they promise that a pronounced change in this regard will be made next year.

The trouble seems to have been brought about by the efforts of the committee to dispose of privileges and thus pay a part of the expenses. The committee was not as particular as it should have been to whom these privileges were sold and this influx of gamblers and other people of questionable character was the result.

The campers have about all left the reunion and Camp Funston is nearly deserted.

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Nervous prostration is a term commonly used to indicate a weakened and debilitated state of the nervous system and a vitiated condition of the blood. Its symptoms are unusual nervousness, great irritability, and incapacity for physical or mental labor, and it is caused by errors in diet or hygiene. Dr. J. H. McLean's Strengthening Cordial and Blood Purifier is recognized everywhere, even by the medical profession, as a superior remedy to counteract weakness of this character. Price 50c. and \$1 a bottle at Koenigstein's Pharmacy.

A Great Horse Sale. Six hundred head of range horses, weighing from 1,000 to 1,400 pounds, a large proportion of which are halter broken, to be sold in car load lots at Cody, Neb., on Wednesday, July 26, 1899.

CORBIN MORSE.

Cobs for sale at the mill.

## Hidden Beauty

In Egypt the custom is for Princesses to hide their beauty by covering the lower part of the face with a veil. In America the beauty of many of our women is hidden because of the weakness and sickness peculiar to the sex.

If the Egyptian custom prevailed in this country, many sufferers would be glad to cover their premature wrinkles, their sunken cheeks, their unhealthy complexion, from the eyes of the world with the veil of the Orient.

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